MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Legal Remembrancer to Government*) : (*a*) to (*h*) A statement containing the information is laid on the Secretary's table.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM : May I know why the statement was not printed ?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: A copy was prepared and placed on the Secretary's table and I understand that subsequently it has been placed in the hands of the member.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM : May I also point out that *prima facie* the figures given in the statement appear to be wrong? To illustrate, in No. 1, column 7, the number of cases which were disposed from day to day during the month under Circular 1 of 1117 is nil But under column 10 the number of evidenced cases adjourned beyond Kumbhom 1117 is given as 99. Apparently there is some mistake.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI : Evidently there is a mistake.

PRESIDENT : Please have it corrected.

Jail Industries.

280. *SRIMATI T. NARAYANI AMMA : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the committee on jail industries appointed by the Government has submitted its report ; and,

(*b*) if so, what measures have been adopted in accordance with the Committee's recommendations for improving such industries ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : (*a*) No.

(*b*) In view of answer to part (*a*) this does not arise.

SRIMATI T. NARAYANI AMMA : May I know when this committee is expected to submit its report ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : Very shortly.

Industrial pursuits of prisoners released from prison.

281. * SRIMATI T. NARAYANI AMMA : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether, as suggested by the Government in their order on the Administration Report of the Central Prison, *viz.*, "that a scheme should be devised and brought into effect which will equip a large body of prisoners to undertake useful industrial pursuits on their being released from prison", any step has been taken for the introduction of a scheme of that kind ; and

(*b*) if so, when the scheme will be brought into effect ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : (*a*) No definite scheme has yet been devised. But the experience gained by working in the Jail Manufactory equips the prisoners for useful work on discharge.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*) this does not arise.

SRIMATI T. NARAYANI AMMA : May I know, Sir, when this scheme which is referred to in the Administration Report will be brought into effect ?

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RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: The matter is being enquired into. The scheme will be ready next month.

Budget for new works in the Public Works Department.

282. ***MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total amount of money provided in the current year's budget for "New Works" in the Public Works Department; and

(*b*) the total amount spent during the current year on such "New works" up to the end of Edavom 1117?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) Rs. 5,84,470.

(*b*) Rs. 2,12,494.

Bridge on the Perrissery-Ala road.

283. ***MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there was any wooden bridge on the Perrissery-Ala road at a place near Kottarathil House in Puliyoor pakuthi, Tiruvalla taluk;

(*b*) the present condition of the above bridge; and

(*c*) how long this part of the road has been under Government maintenance?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) It is in a damaged condition.

(*c*) About 40 years.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know how long this bridge has been in a damaged condition?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: For about three or four years.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know why no steps have been taken yet for repairing the damages?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: That road itself is only a village road with a maintenance grant of Rs. 30 per mile and the bridge is fit for pedestrians. We have made an estimate for the bridge.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether any provision is included in the next year's budget for the purpose of improving this road and also for the construction of this bridge?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: No, Sir.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know the reason why?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: The Advisory Board did not include that work.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the honourable the Chief Engineer whether the Advisory Board has not recommended the inclusion of such a provision last year?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: They did not recommend last year.

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